

Mrs. Mary Duly of this city has been very ill lately. Her children—Mrs. John Sims of Hazen, Ark., Mrs. Alice McDowell and Ham Duly, both of Kansas City, and Sam Duly of St. Louis, came to be at her bedside last week.

Perry Enterprise: A. B. Young, wife and son were Laddonia visitors Sunday. They were accompanied home by James Ware, wife and two children of Altamont, Kansas, who were visiting at Laddonia and Mexico. Mr. Ware was operated on several weeks ago for appendicitis. We are glad to state he is getting strong and vigorous.

Mrs. Green Gant whose husband died last fall southwest of Mexico, who then went to make her home with her son, Henry Gant, at Omaha, Neb., suffered a fall some months ago, fracturing one arm and her hip. It was a serious hurt, but she is now able to get around on crutches.

Mrs. Jesse Hamilton, Mrs. W. U. Coll and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Marburg, all of Laddonia, were in Mexico Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah J. Black, who resides with her daughter, Mrs. James Braden, of near Laddonia, and Mrs. Black's brother, Wm. Gant of Paris, Mo., spent three weeks recently visiting Henry Gant at Omaha, Neb., and I. H. Gant at Wray, Colo. Mrs. Black tells the Message that it was almost constant rains at all places they visited. Big grain crops everywhere, however.

Mrs. Leslie Stevens and three children of Martinsburg visited relatives in Mexico last week.

The Louisiana, Mo., Modern Woodman Camp initiated 65 new members last week. L. E. Worner of Mexico, District Deputy, assisted in the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Martin visited in Jefferson City last week and while there Mrs. M. received word that her sister, Mrs. Fred Douglass, near McBain, was seriously sick. Mr. Martin is head-salesman for Ragsdale's Cash Store in Mexico.

Mrs. Amarilda A. Hill, of Arkansas, is another who pays in advance for the Message.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Clyde Johnson are home, he from the Kirksville Normal and she from a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John DeLaporte, in Laddonia.

A New Magazine With The Sunday Republic.

The Sunday Republic will furnish its readers with a new magazine with its Sunday edition. This new feature begins with the next issue, Sunday, July 25. The magazine is of modern magazine size, so that you can tuck it in your pocket, while the type is set in columns, just book-size width, the best reading size publishers have so far discovered.

In the initial issue of the magazine will appear the first installment of "The Last Shot," by Frederick Palmer, war correspondent and author. This is a war story with a fine love romance and many thrilling situations. Charles E. Van Loan who enjoys an unexcelled reputation as a writer of baseball stories, has written "The Bone Head," the first installment of which begins in the issue of the new magazine.

Other contributors to the first number are: Gouverneur Morris, Thomas Addison, James Stringer, all writers of high-class fiction, with well merited reputations as authors of exceptional distinction.

James Montgomery Flagg contributes a drawing, entitled "Despair," for the back cover.

The front cover is in orange and black, by Arthur Button.

Writers already engaged for subsequent issues include George V. Hobart, H. G. Wells, George Miner, A. Conan Doyle, A. B. Reeve, May Edgington, Arnold Bennett, E. W. Hornung, George Ade, George Randolph Chester, Gilbert K. Chesterton and John A. Moroso.

The magazine is to be furnished with the Sunday Republic at no extra cost.

SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT

Of The Receipts and Expenditures of the City of Mexico, Missouri, From January 1, 1915, to July 1, 1915

Balance on hand January 1, 1915	\$ 3,631.03
Back land tax	97.28
Back personal tax	11.60
Back polltax	3.00
Delinquent land tax (1912)	69.05
Delinquent personal tax (1912)	5.92
Delinquent poll tax (1912)	1.50
Delinquent land tax (1913)	98.46
Delinquent personal tax (1913)	4.65
Delinquent poll tax (1913)	22.50
S. W. Tel and Telephone Co., account of franchise	378.99
Delinquent land tax (1914)	67.48
Delinquent personal tax (1914)	15.00
Delinquent poll tax (1914)	1,389.44
Current land tax	383.99
Current personal tax	141.00
Current poll tax	572.73
R. R. and Telegraph tax	669.46
Foreign Insurance tax	1234.52
Library tax	556.00
Special Sewer tax	179.95
Merchants Advalorem tax	225.17
Bonds for Advalorem tax	96.00
Dog tax	35.53
Interest on taxes	
	\$ 100802.4

Insurance License	810.00
Merchants License	527.66
Miscellaneous license	1310.60
	\$ 2648.26

Police Court fines	231.20
Cemetery Lots and permits	561.50
Miscellaneous cash	82.17
Poor fund from County	100.00
Borrowed money	4180.00
	\$5269.37

SALARY ACCOUNT.

J. W. Dry, mayor	50.10
J. D. McKee, collector	300.00
Wallace Dearing, clerk	260.00
D. H. Robertson, attorney	180.00
J. T. Williams, police judge	120.00
F. M. Wallace, marshal	450.00
F. M. Williams, superintendent cemetery	240.00
S. J. Sanford, street commissioner	300.00
J. W. Pratt, night police	300.00
R. M. Painter, night police	200.00
Ralph Buckner, treasurer	50.10
Dr. J. F. Harrison, physician	30.00
E. F. Ketter, engineer	300.00
R. S. McKinney, engineer	10.00
Clay Patrick, driver fire wagon	300.00
W. F. Atkinson, councilman	30.00
R. N. Armstrong, councilman	10.00
J. H. Ballew, councilman	10.00
E. L. Johnson, councilman	30.00
J. A. Lewis, councilman	30.00
J. D. Pratt, councilman	30.00
F. M. Ragsdale, councilman	20.00
P. L. Hanley, councilman	30.00
C. A. Witherspoon, councilman	30.00
J. J. Wood, councilman	20.00
	\$ 3490.20

STREET WORK AND MATERIAL.

J. D. McKee, cash advanced for street work	498.65
R. O. Bromagin, plumbing	7.25
George Hall, sprinkling	12.50
Coatsworth Lumber Company, lumber	27.65
E. E. Cantrell, hardware	15.90
LaCrosse Lumber Company, lumber	5.62
L. R. Ferris, hardware	4.00
J. W. Coleman, repairing tools	5.55
B. A. Powell, sand	2.25
	579.37

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

V. F. Morris, fire chief	56.80
C. W. Flittner, assistant fire chief	46.40
J. E. Pratt, member	43.00
Gus Sonnen, member	38.25
Loren Smith, member	23.00
J. A. Jenkins, member	8.00
C. G. Dobyns, member	25.00
P. Oliver, member	40.00
Thomas Porree, member	7.00
O. Willingham, member	6.00
Charles Sims, member	8.00
K. Roberts, member	23.00
Stuart Garrett, member	2.00
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	5.50
	\$ 331.95

WATER AND LIGHT.

Mexico Power Company light	1510.80
Mexico Power Company, hydrant rental	1860.00
	\$ 3370.80

CHARITY.

Mexico Clothing Company, merchandise	15.05
W. J. Sannebeck & Co., merchandise	7.10
Mexico Hospital Association, charity patient	14.76
Guthrie & Son, coal	22.00
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	30.50
Dawson & Company, groceries	21.90
J. C. King, groceries	11.20
Joseph Steinman & son, shoes	9.50
Dr. J. F. Harrison, medical attention	75.30
G. A. Lewis, wood	16.00
Smith & Wallace, coal	23.75
Geo. T. Hall, coal	28.75
Callaway Coal Co., coal	6.25
Wilkins & Brown, shoes	4.25
R. C. Carter, coal	1.75
Griffie & Martin, shoes	2.00
C. E. Harrison, coal	11.50
W. H. Rinaman, groceries	33.65
Geo. H. Kunkel, groceries	43.25
R. A. Fry, groceries	6.00
F. A. Sannebeck, groceries	12.90
R. C. Paul & Sons, groceries	2.50
Sam Wallace, charity bills cashed	1.00
Dr. C. A. Rothwell, charity medical attention	2.00
Smith Brothers, groceries	9.30
F. A. Morris, groceries	6.30
Z. E. Utter, groceries	3.00
Mason Creasy, merchandise	1.50
F. M. Ragsdale, merchandise	10.95
	\$ 433.91

PARK AND CEMETERY.

F. M. Williams, tamping graves	151.55
G. W. Robertson, hardware	.60
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	110.20
C. M. Clay, two lots deeded to city	50.00
C. W. Hape, work on sexton's house	7.10
Prussing & Co., wall paper	10.65
	\$ 330.40

CITY HALL.

Clay Patrick, janitor	40.00
Arctic Ice Co., ice	6.50
C. P. Berger, plumbing	2.50
P. Oliver, repairing	.70
S. W. Sanford, repairing	4.20
Haas Lieber Grocery Co., merchandise	4.00
F. A. Morris, merchandise	1.25
G. W. Robertson, merchandise	1.00
A. G. Turner, Insurance	21.40
Crown Laundry Company, laundry service	9.10
O. E. Tucker, repairs	1.00
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	9.47
S. W. Tel and Tel Co., extension bells	11.65
J. E. Lowry, repairs	1.25
	\$ 114.02

PRINTING AND BOOKS.

R. M. White and Son, printing	25.50
John Beal, printing	24.90
Mo. Printing Co., printing	6.30
Intelligencer, printing	10.35
W. L. Craddock & Son, supplies	1.10
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	2.55
Standard Printing Company, supplies	67.89
	\$ 138.59

LIBRARY.

German Publication Society, books	13.50
S. Adams Stamp Co., rubber stamp	.75
Democrat Printing Co., supplies	7.32
Rand McNally & Co., books	17.28
The Paltridge Metal Eq. Co., shelving	150.58
David B. Clarkson Co., books	9.96
Leary Stuart & Co., books	18.10
Fleming H. Revelle Co., books	12.47
Miss Tine Houston, Librarian	300.00
Harry Locke janitor	75.00
Mexico Power Co., water and light	23.38
Mexico Power Co., heat	150.00
The McMillan Co., books	10.64
John Lane Co., books	2.39
John Wannamaker, books	30.75
E. P. Dutton Co., books	4.86
Himebaugh & Brown, books	5.15
J. F. Llewellyn, cash advanced	58.88
The Neal Publishing Co., books	2.84
Western Type Foundry, supplies	.50
J. Lavin Book Binding Co., supplies	8.50
Estell McDonough, carpenter work	10.95
Houghton Mifflin Co., books	11.68
A. C. McClurg & Co., books	39.62
Gaylord Bros., supplies	4.75
J. W. Tate, supplies	5.20
Dodd, Mead & Co., books	36.00
R. M. White & Son, printing	1.00
	\$ 1011.05

MISCELLANEOUS

Ricketts and Whitney, certificates of ownership	2.00
S. J. Sanford, boarding prisoners	348.30
Otis Purdy, merchandise	5.30
E. F. Elliott, court costs	90.65
Abbey and Adams, merchandise	1.13
A. H. Whitney, recording deeds	3.00
Hoxsey and Nichols, feed	52.40
Buckner Drug Co., merchandise	13.55
Fields & Pratt, shoeing horses	21.50
F. A. Morris, merchandise	6.00
A. L. Hughes, shoeing horses	10.00
Sam Wallace, killing dogs	52.50
H. A. Grimm, dog tags	4.31
Isaac McCowan, feed	100.64
J. F. Llewellyn & Sons, merchandise	11.45
W. F. Glover, shoeing horses	2.00
Wm. Pollock & Co., feed	112.21
J. D. McKee, bills cashed	17.89
S. W. Tel. and Tel. Co., long distance service	1.45
B. F. Wells, plumbing	52.78
Cal Roberts, moving house	5.00
Haskell Bros., repairing tools	4.30
Crown Laundry Co., laundry service	4.30
J. D. McKee, election expenses	61.00
P. Oliver, work on light wires	8.00
Dean and Co., feed	8.10
W. S. Ragsdale, merchandise	11.20
Cotton Lumber Co., lumber	4.35
O. C. Upson, feed	23.10
R. S. McKinney, giving sidewalk grades	2.00
Willard Potts, interest on notes	4.30
Criswell Drug Co., merchandise	3.00
Miss Frances Jarvis, typewriting	9.40
Wren's Pharmacy, merchandise	1.80
C. A. Fleming, court costs	38.50
J. J. Wood, note and interest	3189.00
J. W. Dry, Mayor, account of money borrowed from sewer fund	1000.00
W. H. Fuhrer, feed	33.18
J. W. Armstrong, feed	7.20
	\$ 5753.49

Total receipts, six months ending June 30, 1915,	17998.37
Total expense, six months ending June 30, 1915,	15553.78
	\$ 2,444.59

Treasury receipts filed, six months ending June 30,	14367.34
Total Amount on hand January 1, 1915,	3631.03

Warrants issued six months ending June 30, 1915 \$	17998.37
July 1, 1915, balance in general fund	1597.22
July 1, 1915, balance in sewer fund	76.62
July 1, 1915, balance in library fund	480.19
July 1, 1915, balance in cemetery fund	290.56
	2444.59

INDEBTEDNESS OF CITY. BILLS PAYABLE.

August 10, 1914, Note, \$1000.00, six per cent	
May 14, 1915, Note, \$6000.00, six per cent	
May 31, 1915, Note, \$3180.00, eight per cent	
May 10, 1915, Note, \$2000.00, seven per cent	
June 14, 1915, Note \$1000.00, six per cent.	

I hereby certify the above and foregoing is a true exhibit of the receipts, expenditures and indebtedness of the City of Mexico, Mo., for the six months ending June 30, 1915. Witness my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Mexico, Mo., this 21st day of July, 1915. (*SEAL*)

WALLACE DEARING, City Clerk.
Approved, WILLIAM F. ATKINSON, F. M. RAGSDALE, Finance Committee.

O. K. Ross, near Laddonia, suffered from getting a bunch of thistles in his eye while harvesting. He came to Mexico and Dr. Blanks, our eye-specialist, gave him relief.

Britt Stowers, Holcomb, Kansas, writes the Message that everything is booming with him this season. Fine crops.

James Creed says he has always in years past been able to raise sufficient feed for his stock, and he's not behind on that this season, either.

The Methodist Sunday School Base Ball Team defeated the Baptists by a long score Friday—16 to 5. The Methodists suddenly emerged from the cellar.

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A Note From Laddonia.

The Baptists at Laddonia on the third Sunday in August will have a Basket Dinner at the church. F. P. Hummel will be ordained as minister of the Gospel and will preach at the evening service. Visiting Baptist Ministers from Mexico, Vandalla, Martinsburg, Farber, Benton City, and Laddonia will conduct ordination ceremony. Everybody and the editor's family are invited. A good time and a large service is anticipated.

Miss Fannie Ball of Troy is the guest of Mrs. H. B. Rice.

Dr. McCall and family are visiting relatives in Fulton.

Mrs. Emma Davidson is pleased with her location in the family of H. B. Rice.

E. B. Keath attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. W. D. Groves, who died at Urss, Ill.